

FAQ – IWA & Grundfos Youth Action for SDG 6 Fellowship

This Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document provides answers to common questions related to the [IWA & Grundfos Youth Action for SDG 6 Fellowship](#). In case you don't see your question here, contact the IWA Secretariat at ryp@iwahq.org.

- I am below 18 years old, can I apply for the fellowship?

You cannot apply. The fellowship is open for IWA Young Water Professionals members between 18 and 35 years of age by the end of the Fellowship (September 2026).

- I am over 35 years old, can I apply for the fellowship?

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- I am not a member of IWA. Do I need to be a member of IWA to participate in the fellowship?

Yes, you do need to be an IWA member to participate in the Fellowship. To become an IWA member you will need to fill out your information and pay the membership fee. All instructions related to becoming an IWA member are available [here](#).

- I am an IWA Member, can I write my reference letter?

Self-written reference letters will not be accepted in this fellowship.

- I do not know any IWA members. How can I reach out to IWA members?

You can connect and reach out to other IWA members via the [IWA Connect Plus](#) platform.

- Why do I have to submit a motivation letter?

You need to submit a motivation letter to (a) show evidence of commitment to delivering positive change in the water sector, (b) demonstrate your leadership capacity, (c) demonstrate how you are addressing key local and/or global issues in your current work and (d) show that you have a track record of generating impactful and innovative ideas in the water sector;

- My CV is bigger than 2 pages. Can I send it?

We will only accept CVs with a maximum of 2-pages. Application with a CV longer than 2 pages won't be considered.

- I am not fluent in English. Can I apply to the fellowship?

The applicants are required to have a working knowledge of English. All discussions and actions will be in English. We will evaluate language fluency during the interviews.

- What should I include in the project proposal?

The project proposal should outline how you intend to contribute to the Fellowship's final publication. You should describe your proposed topic, objectives, methodology, and expected outcomes. This should reflect your vision for the contribution you wish to make.

- How can I apply for this fellowship?

Applicants must follow the eligibility criteria stated [here](#). They must prepare all the documents requested in the call, and fill out the online form available [here](#).

- If I want to withdraw from the selection, what should I do?

If you wish to withdraw your application, you will need to contact the IWA Secretariat at ymp@iwahq.org.

- Do I need a VISA to attend the in-person activities?

We recommend that all applicants check the VISA requirements via their country governments. Participants are required to ensure that they have valid travel documents (passport, visa etc.,) in time before their travel. IWA and Grundfos are not responsible for checking VISA requirements and they cannot guarantee any candidate that their visa application will be successful.